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NEWS AND VIEWS

North Central 200 Sporting Clays Shoot - July 20th & 21st

Please join us for the North Central 200 Sporting Clays shot on July 20-21, 2024. Two Days, Two Locations, held on the 20^{th} at WS&TC and the 21^{st} at Rhinelander Hodag Sports Club. 100 bird main event per day. Please see the flyer for additional information. Sign up at www.scorechasercom.

What is the board working on?

- DNR Grant for Sporting Clays Expansion: This grant was submitted in September of 2022 and we now (finally?!) have conditional approval to purchase needed equipment. Final approval will hopefully arrive from the Fed's shortly so excavation can begin. This project will result in two, 50-bird courses.
- The next DNR grant cycle application is due July 15th. The board is actively working on a proposal to build an enclosed, heated 5-Stand building with exterior lighting. The 2024 DNR grant match continues to be 75%. When will we know if the grant is approved? It will likely take 6-9 months if it is denied. A year or longer if it continues through their approval process.
- The board is also researching additional opportunities to enable the Club to be open more than the current operating hours. More to come on that front.
- You'll see landscaping improvements between the parking lot and the Club and target shed.

A Little History

Wausau Skeet & Trap Club originated in 1945 and moved to its current location in 1960. In 1991 Wausau Paper Company in Brokaw donated land to WS&TC, bringing the total acres owned to 60 – and the ability to begin constructing a sporting clays course. The current clubhouse was built in 2001. According to the "History of the WS&TC" document which hangs in the clubhouse, shooting fees in 1953 were \$3 per round. \$3 in 1953 is equal in purchase power to about \$33 in purchase power today!

Great Northern Trap Conference (GNTC) Shoot-Out

The GNTC Shoot-Out was held at WS&TC May 30th – June 2nd. This is an end-of-season 100-bird trap competition for our ten-team Scholastic Clay Targets Program (SCTP) conference. We hosted 317 youth shooters between the 4th and 12th grade.

Shooters competed by teams and individuals and were classified based on their grade and experience in the SCTP program.

Our WS&TC shooters won the following awards – Congratulations to all!

- 2nd Place Varsity Team

- 1st Place Rookie Female: Emmy Johnson

- 3rd Place Varsity Male: Evan Pupp (92)

- High Overall Male: Zander Copenhaver (96)

Upcoming Events

- Thursday, June 20th

WI Waste Water Association

- Saturday, July 20th

North Central 200 Sporting Clays

Please mark your calendars and contact Kevin Sasman (715-571-2159) if you can volunteer to help with these events. Thank you.

Recent Past Events

- Saturday, May 18 Badger State Games Trap (66 Shooters)

- Thursday, May 30 - Sunday, June 2 GNTC Shoot-Out (317 Shooters)

- Friday, June 7 Samoset Council (67 Shooters)

Our sincere thanks to everyone who volunteered to help make these events successful!

June Rule Reminder

Please pick up your shell casings when shooting at all venues. We are a volunteer club – if you don't pick up your casings another volunteer has to. *Thank you!*